

## Julie Hannah

### *Chief of Staff & Strategy*

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Julie Hannah was promoted to Chief of Staff and Strategy in 2023 for the Department of General Services after being appointed Chief Strategy Officer for DGS by Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, in January 2019. Since that appointment, Hannah has collaborated across the Department's various business divisions to develop DGS's first four-year strategic and fiscal year operational plans.



Previously, Hannah worked as the personnel director for the Bill Lee for Tennessee Transition Team and wore multiple hats for Lee's gubernatorial campaign, even months before his campaign announcement, as they developed the organizational structure and strategy behind his campaign.

As a former director of organizational development for privately-owned regional businesses, Hannah is known as the team member you can count on to find a way to manage organizational change and deliver exceptional results. Her experience includes project management, development and implementation of strategic plans, recruitment, and team development, and marketing and public relations.

Hannah's passion for building connections, organizational culture, and getting people excited about realizing their potential can be traced back to her college years as a student ambassador and young community leader, where she had to motivate and focus the team through challenging days.

Hannah explains that creating a "we culture" that brings people together, fosters belonging, and inspires trust is key to any organization igniting real results.

Hannah received her Bachelor of Business Administration in corporate and organizational communications from Western Kentucky University. She has served on many boards and volunteered with multiple organizations, including the Layman Lessons Board of Directors, the TN Suicide Prevention Network Advisory Council, the Western Kentucky University Athletic Foundation Board of Directors, and the University of Tennessee Family Council, to name a few.